





IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE: Reissue Application of Dillis V. Allen

and Scott R. Longueil

INVENTORS: Dillis V. Allen and Scott R. Longueil

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REISSUE

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NOTICE OF PENDING LITIGATION UNDER MPEP 1442.04

Honorable Sir:

Under the provisions of MPEP 1442.04, the Patent Owner hereby notifies the United States Patent and Trademark Office of the pendency of the case of Vardon Golf Company, Inc. v. Karsten Manufacturing Corp., Case No. 99 C 6934, filed in the Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division, on October 22, 1999, involving inter alia, United States Patent No. 5,938,541.

Only limited discovery has been conducted in this case, and discovery is continuing.

The Patent Owner also requests that examination of this application not be suspended under MPEP 1442.02.

Respectfully sqbmitted,

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REQUEST FOR ADVANCED EXAMINATION

Honorable Sir:

Patent Owner hereby requests that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office expedite prosecution of this application. This application was filed on March 29, 2001, and is a Reissue application.

Under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.176 and MPEP 1440, reissue applications must be advanced in prosecution, and the time lapse of some seven months between the filing of this application and the present date indicates that this application has not been taken out of the normal order for examination.

Please transmit this application to the Examiner for prompt consideration.

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